Sl.No.	SEBs	1990-91 *	1991-92 *
15	West Bengal	—102.62	—92.22
16	Assam	—178.75	—174.58
17	Meghalaya	—3.55	8.80
	Surplus	553.11	627.04
	Deficit	749.61	643.39
	Net	—196.49	—16.35

*Provisional/Unaudited.

Coal Based Combine Cycle Power Generation

@3826-A. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the coal based combined cycle power generation can bring an end to the country's dependence on imported oil;

(b) if so, what are the constraints in this progress; and

(c) what are the details of the plans of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) The Integrated Classification Combined Cycle technology is an economically efficient and environmentally sound technology for power generation. No decision has been taken to adopt this technology for commercial power generation in the country.

Bilateral and from U.K. for Modernisation of NTC Mills

3827. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that bilateral Aid from U.K. is among the options being explored by Government for funding the modernisation of N.T.C.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) A proposal for modernisation of NTC mills has been sent to Government of U.K. for consideration/funding under their overssease Development Assistance.

Broadly, the proposals for modernisation have the following salient features:

(i) Maximising contribution levels on existing product-mix.

(ii) Exploring alternative high value products: going in for increased production of high value blended fabrics.

(iii) Improving present level of utilisation and productivity.

(i) Inducting sophisticated appropriate production technology, such as Rotors in spinning, Hi-Tech looms, Auto Coners etc.

(v) Inculcating an export culture.

(vi) Restructuring/merger of some of the existing unviable mills to make them viable units.

(vii) Capital restructuring.

Textile Mills Functioning in Bombay

3828. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) how many Textile Mills were functioning in Bombay just before the famous Textile Labour Strike in 1982 and how many functioning now.

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